

**WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
BOARD OF MASSAGE
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES/RULES HEARING**

Thursday, June 26, 2008

9:00 a.m.

Hawthorn Suites

6329 South 212th Street - Kent, WA 98032

On June 26, 2008, the Board of Massage met at The Hawthorn Suites 6329 South 212th Street, Kent, WA 98032 In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notices were sent to individuals requesting notification of meetings.

MEMBERS PRESENT

SCOTT MILLER, LMP, VICE CHAIR
LAURA WILLIAMS, LMP
MARISSA BROOKS, LMP
KARIN OLSEN, LMP, CHAIR - ABSENT
MARTIN BERNSTEIN, PUBLIC MEMBER

STAFF PRESENT

KRIS WAIDELY, PROGRAM MANAGER
JENNIFER SOMMER, PROGRAM SUPPORT
JOY KING, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

GUESTS PRESENT

DAWN SCHMIDT
NELL ANDRE
VICTORIA JOHNSON
LAURA STJERN HANSEN
PATTY PHILLIPS
MICHELLE MURPHY
JOHN JACKSON

OPEN SESSION – 9:00 a.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The meeting was called to order by Scott Miller, Vice Chair at 9:01 a.m.
 - 1.1 Introductions – The audience, board, and staff all introduced themselves.
 - 1.2 Approval of agenda – The agenda was approved as presented.
 - 1.3 Approval of meeting minutes from February 25, 2008 – The minutes were approved as presented.

2. RULES HEARING – 9:15 a.m.

A Rule Hearing was held and testimony was taken on new section WAC 246-830-490, Intraoral Massage. The rule identifies the training requirements for licensed massage practitioners to apply for an intraoral massage endorsement. The rules were adopted by the board with the addition of the word “direct” before supervision to clarify that the required supervised training must be face-to-face, in person, rather than on-line training. No other changes were made and no significant concepts were added or deleted.

3. NEW LEGISLATION – The board reviewed and discussed implementing the new legislation that establishes continuing education requirements and provides for issuance of an inactive credential for licensed massage practitioners (SHB 2859). Marissa Brooks and Scott Miller volunteered to work with staff to come up with a draft to bring back to the full board at the August meeting. The board is interested in addressing: the number of hours, requirement for specific courses, and different methods in which a practitioner can acquire appropriate training hours.

4. JURISDICTION AND SCHOOL PROGRAM REVIEWS – Reviewing board members presented jurisdiction and school program approval requests for full board consideration and action.

APPLICATION REVIEWS:

- New Horizon School of Massage – approved
- American Institute of Alternative Medicine – approved
- School of Therapeutic Touch, LLC – deficiency letter
- Everest College – deficiency letter
- Clover Park Technical College – deficiency letter
- Sterling Health Center – application returned with deficiency letter
- Ananda Apprenticeship Program for Transfers – deficiency letter

5. PROGRAM REPORT – Information provided to the board by the Program Manager.

- a. Budget update – February 2008 through May 2008 interim operating reports were provided and explained.
- b. The Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards Annual Meeting will be held in Seattle, Washington on October 16-19, 2008 – The board was informed about the meeting and invited to attend.

6. CORRESPONDENCE – The board reviewed, discussed, and drafted responses to correspondence received from the public.

7. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kris Waidely, Program Manager

Scott Miller, LMP, Board Vice-Chair